Remote Playback of Ingested Media Content

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system including: (a) a media reader including a read element for physical media, the physical media including digital content representing at least one media stream, the digital content being maintained in a protected form; (b) a storage element coupled to the media reader, the storage element using a storage mechanism different from the physical media, the storage element non-evanescently storing the digital content in the protected form; and (c) a playback device coupled to the storage element, the playback device receiving the digital content and outputting analog, digital, or analog and digital audiovisual content for presentation. The digital content is stored in the storage element in the protected form, sent from the media reader to the storage element in the protected form, sent from the storage element to the playback device in the protected form, and output by the playback device in a second protected form.